Notifications, &c., by the Government of India.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

ACCOUNTS

Simla, the 14th October 1875.

No. 3939.

READ AGAIN-

Letter No. 1471, dated 26th July 1872, to the Director General of Post Office of India, sanctioning rules for the custody, distribution and sale of service postage labels.

Read also-

Resolution No. 3750, dated 17th December 1873, regarding certificates to be attached to contingent bills.

RESOLUTION.—The Governor General in Council is pleased to decide that no charge for any postage labels but service postage labels shall be admitted in any contingent bill, and that every charge for service postage labels must be supported by the receipt of a Treasury Officer, which shall always be sent to the Audit Officer whatever the amount of such receipt.

Ordered that the foregoing Resolution be communicated as follows:-

To the several Departments of the Government of India.

- " the several Local Governments and Administrations.
- " the Comptroller General and to the several Accountants General, and Deputy Accountants General in independent charge.
- " the several Chiefs of Departments administered to by the Government of India in the Financial Department.

J. A. Bourdillon, Offg. Under-Secy. to the Govt. of India.

LEAVE AND ALLOWANCES. Simla, the 29th October 1875.

No. 4347.

Read the undermentioned papers :-

Notification of the Government of India in this Department, No. 929, dated the 5th February 1874, ruling "that no public servant shall draw travelling allowance for a journey taken from his head-quarters to visit any place not more than five miles distant therefrom."

Resolution of the Government of India in this Department, No. 3079, dated the 16th May 1874, declaring that the ruling quoted above does not affect rule III in a notification of the Government of India in this Department, No. 1653, dated the 7th August 1868, regarding travelling allowance to chaplains.

Letter to the Acting Chief Secretary to the Government of Bombay, No. 1071, dated the 31st May 1875, exempting general duty harkoons in the older provinces of Bombay and tuppedars in Sind from the operation of the Netification No. 929 of the 5th February 1874.

Letter from the Acting Secretary to the Government of Bombay, No. 3682, dated the 30th June 1875, expressing concurrence in an opinion of the Accountant General of that Presidency that the Notification No. 929 of the 5th February 1874 applies only to officers "drawing mileage allowance and not to those in receipt of travelling allowance at daily rates."

Letter to ditto, No. 2887, dated the 26th August 1875, asking for a copy of the Accountant General's report alluded to in the abovementioned letter and of the papers of the case on which the report was made.

Letter from the Accountant General, Central Provinces, No. 1730 T, dated the 4th September 1875, enquiring, with reference to the Notification No. 929, dated the 5th February 1874, "whether an officer can draw halting allowance on his return journey for halting at a place not more than five miles distant therefrom."

Letter from the Acting Secretary to the Government of Bombay, No. 2915, dated the 11th September 1875, forwarding a copy of the papers asked for in the letter from this Department, No. 2915, dated the 11th September 1875.

RESOLUTION.—The objection to the grant of travelling allowance to an officer who does not go further than five miles from his head-quarters is that the journey is not long enough to entail any appreciable extra expense. As this objection applies with as much force to one form of travelling allowance as to another, the Hon'ble the President in Council regrets that he is unable to concur in the opinion of the Government of Bombay. The Government of India intended the Notification No. 929 of the 5th February 1874 to apply to travelling allowances of all kinds, with the exception, first, of those allowances which were exempted from its operation by the Resolution No. 3079 of the 16th May 1874 and the letter No. 1071 of the 31st May 1875, and, secondly, of permanent contract travelling allowances, i. e., of travelling allowances which are drawn like salary, whether the officer receiving them travels or not.

2. His Honor in Council takes the opportunity at the same time to declare that the intention and the spirit of the rule contained in the Notification, No. 929 of the 5th February 1874, are opposed to the grant of halting allowances to an officer for a halt within five miles from his head-quarters, and desires that every Local Government and Administration will enforce the rule accordingly.

ORDER.—Crdered that the foregoing Resolution be communicated to the other Departments of the Government of India, to all Local Governments and Administrations, to the Comptroller General and Head Commissioner of Paper Currency, to the Director General of the Post Office of India, to the Mint Master, Calcutta, to all Accountants General, and to the Deputy Accountants General in independent charge.

R. H. Hollingberr, Assit. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

NOTIFICATION.

ESTABLISHMENT.

Simla, the 27th October 1875.

No. 449.—The transfer of Major W. Chrystie, B. E., Temporary Superintending Engineer, 2nd Grade, from Mysore to Hyderabad (Public Works Department Notification No. 377, dated 14th August 1875), is cancelled.

C. H. DICKENS, Col., R. A., Secy. to the Gort. of India.